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Why Stamp Collecting?

By Mrs. Albert C. Stewart

in The Toledo Philatelist



average American citizen, especially those who are very busy, feel the need of recreation or amusement, to offset the responsibilities of everyday life.

Many find relaxation in cards, the theater or pictures, others find diversion in chasing a small, peb-bled pill out of the rough, or a sand trap, to send it spinning down a velvety green fairway, un-til the poor little thing finds refuge in a little cup on the putting green. Such is golf. Another will find his joy batting a larger ball back and forth spinning over a net wall, and this is tennis. The third out-of-door divertissment is the great American game of baseball. But these while wonderful as exercise, must appeal only to the physically strong, but they also depend upon season, weather and daylight.

But for all year round, good or bad weather, whether one is strong or frail, there is nothing finer for wholesome diversion than the collecting and classifying of postage

One becomes unwittingly better educated and develops unknowingly, qualities that are not suspected in oneself when the collecting and mounting are done in a logical fashion.

Cleanliness, condition and neat-ness enhance the value of a collection, therefore, the collector naturally cultivates habits upon which these things depend.

tion, upon these depend much. Little points of difference, certainty of colors and manager? ty of colors and paper, depend upon these qualities, Again, a collection has tangible assets. If this interest wanes at any time, or if it dies out, the collection can be sold. Its value will depend upon the care and judgment put into it. If well collected it will prove to have been a good investment in point of recreation, education and intrinsic value.

The collecting of coins is per-haps, the nearest approach to stamps, in merit; but coins are more difficult to care for, and less easily obtained.

Philately, or the science of stamps, is perhaps the best organ-ized fad in existence. There are local, state and national societies, which keep the fad not only alive, but flourishing, and upon a stand-ardized basis. It has its own trade papers, and columns of its own in various papers and magazines.

It is a clean game, not neces-sarily expensive, covers a large number of subjects and is just as

broad in its instructive qualities as the collector chooses to have it.

Travel is perhaps the most popular of sports, if sport it may be called, that is enjoyed by American people, but travel, if at all extensive, depends upon money and leisure. The philatelist may, at home in an easy chair, with or without companions travel from without companions travel from Abyssinia to Zanzibar, over the world with his stamps. He may become acquainted with the rulers of the earth, and other great ones, not only the living but those dead.

He may know the heroes of mythology, the zoological speci-mens of Borneo, Uganda or other far away lands; he may trace the history of little known lands ex-pressed in landscape, monuments, modes of traval and types of their modes of travel and types of their peoples, all of which are pictured upon postage stamps.

He may, if an ardent collector and student, enjoy biography, his-tory, geography, zoology, travel and romance; and do it more ap-preciatively and intelligently be-cause of the stamps. Philately broadens the vision, the under-standing and the appreciation of the world's everyday news. It all the world's everyday news. It all depends on what is put into a collection, both as to stamps and study, what return one can expect to get out of it.

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Oakland Philatelic Society Annual

We have seen many novel and unique Banquet Menus, especially Banquet Menus that have been prepared for banquets of stamp col-lectors but nothing that we have seen in the past equals in novelty the menu that was used at the Banquet of the Oakland Philatelic Society of Oakland, California, at its annual banquet on April 11, 1929. It may seem queer that our reference to this most unique event comes so long after the affair for which the Editor most humbly apologizes, but the facts of the matter are that the copy of the menu and place card were mailed flat in a large envelope which did not fit into the pigeon hole where the editor files his fresh copy and that it was placed between book pages for safe keeping and overlooked until a copy of the Banquet Program of the Philatelic Club of Los Angeles came along and reminded the editor of the Oakland

The menu of the Oakland Phil atelic Society is printed on a quadrille lined album page. Across the heading in the panel where the name of the country is placed are the words "Oakland Philatelic Society" beneath this we find the offical statistics as are customarily printed at the heads of the pages printed at the heads of the pages of printed albums. We learn that the "Government" is a "Colony of APS", that the "Population" is "50", "Area: East Bay", President:

Dr. W. I. Mitchell."

Beneath the printed heading of the album page is the menu, and this menu is one that would delight the eyes of any stamp collector for each dish is served in the way of a surcharge on one of the half-cent Hale Stamps. Six unused copies of the Hale stamps are mounted on the page and each is surcharged in red, the first bear-ing the words "Seafood Cocktail" followed with other stamps sur-charged "Potage Mongol", "En-tree Sherbet", "Fillet Mignon", "Rubyette Sundae" and "Demi Tasse"

The whole being an album page with the stamps bearing sur-charges indicating the various tempting dishes that were served

the guests.

There is but one thing wrong with the Menu for which the Oakland Collectors deserve to be severely censored and we do hope that they will change their ways and in the future hinge their stamps rather than paste them down with the gum that is on them. Surely there is room for missionary work here and these stamp collectors should be taught the use of hinges.

In addition to the Menu the Club used a very practical and novel place card in the form of an envelope with typewritten address of the guest, the envelope sent the editor being addressed to "Mr. George W. Linn,—Athens Athletic Club.—Oakland, Calif. The envelope bears for a stamp a two color label resembling a postage stamp, the label having a red border with the name of the Society grouped on three sides and with ornamental scroll work at bottom. The center of the label pictures an old gentleman showing a collection of stamps to a boy. This stamp or label is cancelled with the Oakland, California, postmark, reading "Oakland-Apr. 11-11 A. M. Calif."

Mr. Harry E. Gray, Secretary of the Club tells us that there were about 50 in attendance at the banquet. Following the Banquet those present enjoyed Dancing, Cards, and other entertainment which and other entertainment which was provided. Much enthusiasm was shown throughout the evening and much fun was had by all those present. The affair was entirely present. The affair was entirely informal, rubber balloons and racket producers were provided the diners and there were no Speeches allowed which is at least a novelty for a Philatelic Banquet.

NEW COVER COLLECTOR

Postmaster Charles C. Kellogg of the Detroit postoffice has a collection of letter covers that indicate postal progress. A recent addition was given the postmaster by Mrs. T. R. Thompson, 3437 Edison avenue. It is the envelope that covered a letter which was mailed at 7 a. m. April 1 in Los Angeles and which reached the Roosevelt branch of the Detroit Postoffice at 2 p. m. the next day, via air mail.

ROTARY PRESS HALF CENT?

Mr. Joseph J. Gloeb, publisher of the Precancel Bee of Omaha, Nebraska, advises us that the Half Cent Hale Stamps are Bureau at Washington. These Rotary Press stamps or will the flat plate variety be used. If Ro-tary Press, will the stamps be issued in this printing also without the Precancelation. New York and Chicago have already ordered Bureau Precancels of the Half Cent Stamps.

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"Linn's Weekly Stamp News":

I was quite interested in your Editorial in the issue of April 29th, quoting Mr. Barron's letter in part referring to his suggested "month-ly revision" of prices on Bureaus. I should like to call your attention to the fact that this IS already to the fact that this IS already being done, on a quarterly basis. This Supplement was thoroughly advertised in the Precancel Press, in the "Precancel Bee", the "Ga-zette", "Gossip" and possibly other publications that I have not seen, by Mr. L. W. Hudson, who agreed to stand the expense of mimeo-graphing and mailing, and sending these out every three months, at a cost of 10 cents. We expected a very good response, but Mr. Hudson informs me that he received only about SEVENTY responses only about MEVENTI responses and orders for the supplements. The first, issued last month, con-tained about ONE HUNDRED price changes. This list contained REDUCTION in prices of most of the coils offered recently at less than catalogue rates, in quantities, showing that they were held in considerable stocks. It is essential that prices be changed frequently as previous rarities are secured by dealers or collectors in quantity and become common. The Trenton 1c coils are now being dumped upon the market as a result no doubt of the "Note" in the last edition of the Bureau Catalogue, in which it was stated that is could

not be intelligently priced. The San Diego coil is another case; which now drops in the next edition to 15 cents net, which has only recently been secured in quantities. Quite a flurry was recently caused by rumors that entire or part rolls of Liberty 1 and 11/2c coils still existed, but on competent investigation it was found that while a strip of five, several pairs and a few singles that were hitherto unknown were in possession of one man, all of the 11/2c denomination, no large holdings existed, but those that did come to light were quite sufficient to drop the very high prices on pairs as well as singles. Mr. Barron is quite right, a supplement WAS needed, but if the enthusiastic support of SEV-ENTY collectors out of possibly a THOUSAND Bureau "fans" has to be depended upon, we are not in any hurry to issue it monthly. The catalogue compiler is always subjected to plenty of crticism from all sides, no one can ever set prices that will please all, and with the supply and demand constantly changing it is a very difficult matter to attempt to set prices and we only do the best we can, without fear or favor.

The FIFTH edition is now in press, the completed manuscript having gone forward last week, and this edition will show still more price changes, many up. more down.

W. I. Mitchell, M. D.

Berkeley, Calif.

FOOL LAWS

A stamp dealer shows us a letter received from the Postmaster General of Cyprus, in which the dealer is informed that because he sent British money to a British colony he'll not be permitted to have any of the stamps and they are fining him money order fees and a lot of overhead expenses for his error. It seems that they don't trust their postal employees with cash—only such official paper documents that they can trace the handling of the money. Well, if governments can pass such fool laws and know no other way to remedy it than by penalizing the stamp dealer we will pass a few laws, too, and the first one will be that Cyprus will have to do with-out our patronage. Therefore, if you hear of the island busting up within the next week or two, don't be surprised

-Roessler's Stamp News.

EXPERT OPINION

A well known and prominent collector approached a well known and prominent dealer who posed as an

P. C .- I wish you would tell me about this stamp, what is it, is it

genuine?

P. D .- (After examining the stamp carefully under a glass for some minutes). Since it is you that asks me I want to be frank in saying, that this has me puzzled, I should hesitate to pass an opinion on this stamp under any conditions. Had it been someone that I did not know as well as I know you I should have passed on it at a glance.

John Kroozost recently tore up an inverted 5c air mail stamp because he couldn't make up his mind whether it should be put in his album with the center upside down or with the border upside down.

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Under this heading all new issues will be reported. All collectors are urged to co-operate with the Editor by sending copies of all new heretofore unlisted items to the Editor of this column for chronicle, which will be returned promptly at our expense. No stamps will be listed unless they are seen; this is absolutely necessary to prevent mistakes creeping into the list.

San Francisco

BROOKLYN M. Y.

OLD TYPE

NEW TYPE

OLD TYPES-PERF. 11x101/2

Nashville, 4c Newark, N. J., 4c Wheeling, W. Va., 1c

OLD TYPES-COIL Oklahoma City, Okla., 2c

NEW TYPE-ORDINARIES

Albany, N. Y., 7c, 10c Buffalo, N. Y., 8c Minneapolis, 1½c, 8c, 10c Newark, N. J., 2c, 5c, 6c Omaha, Nebr., 5c, 10c Pittsburgh, Pa., 3c Providence, R. I., 1½c Saint Paul, 4c Springfield, Mass., 1c Worcester, Mass., 10c

NEW TYPE-COIL

Adrian, Mich., 10c Memphis, Tenn., 11/2c

Twenty-two new varieties this week, they are sure coming fast, so better get busy with your collection or you will never catch up. Thanks are due to Mrs. Lundy, Mr. Simmerer and Mr. Walter for showing me new varieties. I wish a few more of you would help out to keep this list up to date, so when you pick up a new variety be sure to send it to me for listing. And don't get in the habit just to write I have picked up this or that, I must see the stamps in order to avoid any mistakes, because there are some cities using local types very similar to the new Standard B-11 Bureau Print type. For instance Detroit, Mich., and Cincinnati, Ohio, and if a collector is not acquainted with types he might pass one of these local types for a Bureau Print.

Another B. P. Error? ?

Hold your horses and don't get excited. Memphis, Tenn., was sup-posed to be the second error but after close investigation I can broadcast the fact that there is nothing to it. It happened that I picked up a pair of the 10c Memphis in the new type on one stamp, the first N in Tenn., looks like an H. I had a local correspondent investigate this and received a long distance call, informing me that this was nothing but a plate break, probably some dirt got located in this break while the printing was done and made this freak. I was also informed by my correspondent that a well known Bureau Print collector living in Tenn., made a special trip to Memphis, with the hope to make a quick cleanup like happened with the Milwaukee errors, but after buying a great quantity of these stamps he could find no error.

Now while this is not an error it is quite an interesting freak and you will want it in your collection, so better keep a lookout for them. After all it looks as if this new Standard type wears out quick, what does this mean? Another type or a new plate in the same type? Get busy boys.

CITY TYPE COILS

ROCHESTER. N. Y.

U-92

U-97

Mr. L. Nelson of Worcester, Mass., writes: "I wish you would tell me something about the so-called City Type Coil precancels. I have heard so much about them, but it seems magazines that I get do not bring articles on this branch of the hobby.

This is rather a deep subject to start with and to go into it thoroughly would require more space, than I am allowed to use for my department, however will give you some facts regarding this most in-

teresting branch of our hobby.

Up to the year 1920, the precancels applied to coils were almost always those used for the regular issues. Apparently the government did not furnish special cancelling devices and in only a few cases did local authorities acquire a precancel to use simply on coils. Chicago, Des Moines, Cleve-land and, New York, and Rochester were among this number.

By 1920, the use of coil stamps had become so popular that the government became interested in machines which would precancel

The first of these machines. them. made by a company in Rochester, N. Y., were experimental and a number of different types of cancellation were tried out before one was officially adopted and used exclusively.

The first of these types, U-93, U-91, U-92, which were only used for coils, were like the regulation precancels for they were made in accordance with the department rules on this subject. The cancel consisted of the city and state names in two lines with a bar above and below. One such impression was supposed to fit neatly on each coil stamp. This aim was not always reached for some stamps received only a part impression or were not cancelled at

The government, however, did not like the fact that cancel sometimes failed to cancel and so the

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Collecting of City Type Coils is very popular and I can recommend it to any collector who wants something for excitment. Many Bureau print collectors too far advanced to get enough kick out of their collection, have taken up city type coils, also know of many State specialists who have a collection of coils as a sideline to his regular collection. Last year a catalog on City Type Coils was published by the editor of this department and if any reader is interested enough I will send him a copy free of charge.

CLEVELAND NEWS

Garfield-Perry has been extremely busy in the last few weeks arranging a new meeting place. Took much talk and coming and going. But now we have met for three weeks in Parlor K of the Hotel Winton.

Hotel Winton is on Prospect Avenue, just east of Ninth Street. Splendid first-class quarters and nice service in Parlor K on the Mez-

zanine Floor.

Much mysterious whispering finally resulted in serious accusations against certain members of the organization. Certain officers. Finally resulted in a carefully staged trial, at a regular meeting, before "Judge" MacLaren, who presided with great dignity and doled out the law according to Scott. Surprising that he used an antiquated edition. But Mac always did prefer old things.

The rare oddity known as a "part bisect", reputed to have been used as a bribe in influencing certain officers of G. P. to move from old quarters to new was exhibited to judge and jury by the prosecuting attorney—that was Fred Green. Prosecuting in the particular manner is nothing new for this old-

timer. He was rich.

Able defense of the accused was carefully and thoroughly set up by Attorney Lybarger. But the whirlwind of evidence and the quiet forcefulness of Prosecutor Green of the State of Philatelea, County of Precancel, was overwhelming and persuaded both judge and jury that certain "part bisects" did exist and were actually in the possession of the accused officers. All very suspicious, and the defense failed miserably.

Therefore the jury decided that Messrs. Lloyd and Schneider ("Mike and Doc") were in actual fact, responsible for the moving of the club from old quarters to new. And regardless of ways and means and nasty remarks, the general concensus of opinion undoubtedly upheld their action as exemplified in a vote of thanks for their doings. Also for their deliciously humorous make-believe trial of themselves.

Our fourth meeting at the Winton was auction night. One that will be remembered a long time, since actually certain foreign lots reached catalog price on the maximum bid. Nothing surprising in over-catalog prices for some of the nice conditioned U. S. lots. Everybody is happy on those sales—both buyer and seller. Only the "good stuff" tends to create happiness in that manner. An impossible thing for "fair" lots to create.

-Vance Holden, Secy.

STAMPS FOR TRENTON, N. J.

A resolution has been introduced in the House of Representatives at Washington, proposing to issue a special stamp to commemorate the 250th anniversary of the founding

of Trenton, N. J.

Trenton is the capital of New Jersey. It was first settled in 1676 and was originally known as The Falls. In 1719, it was given its present name in honor of William Trent, Speaker of the House of Assembly. With these dates in mind, it would seem that the gentleman from New Jersey is about three years behind time in proposing to celebrate the 250th anniversary of the founding of this city.

James B. Baloney has been wondering when Scott's Cat was a small kitten.



GUATEMALA OFFICIALS

We show an enlargement of this attractive stamp which has just

been issued. The stamps are not on sale to the public.

Paul Owen: Our stamp club has

been growing every day. Second Nut: How tall is it now?

-Roessler's Stamp News.

ALBUM FOR AIR MAIL STAMPS

The K. Lissiuk Philatelic Company of New York, have announced the publication of their new album arranged for the air mail stamps of the world. This album is for adhesive stamps of all countries and is published in three different styles so that the pocket book of every collector can be accommodated. The pages are laid out in a neat manner with a special space for each stamp and the album is fully illustrated.

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Stamp Company of Toledo, Ohio.

Mrs. Stewart so ably and so clearly brings forth the good features of stamp collecting as compared with other hobbies that we believe that the matter that she has written should be broadcast as far as possible both among stamp collectors and in the press in general.

The Editor of Linn's Weekly Stamp News has always been of the opinion that stamp collecting as a hobby should have a great following among the women of the What other hobby is there world. that can offer so much to a wom-an as stamp collecting. Stamp collecting, properly presented to the women should gain many recruits. It offers everything that a woman loves yet is followed by few of them.

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eral, has already given several talks over the Radio on Postoffice Department affairs. It seems to us that this is an admirable way to keep in touch with the people and to keep them informed on what the department is doing and proposing to do. No doubt some day we will have arrived at the stage where certain definite hours are allotted as official Government hours and we will know just when to tune in to get all the new and latest dope direct from Washing-

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Mr. A. Paczelt of Detroit, Mich., sends a clipping from the Detroit News regarding the dedication of the new airport at Memphis, Tenn. This will take place on June 14 and 15 and will be a big affair as elaborate plans are being made for the event.

We have no word regarding air mail cachet for this date but there will doubtless be one; collectors who are interested can look for-ward to the date. We shall endeavor to have definite news in the next issue of this paper with full particulars regarding plans for

these two days.

Chicago Air Mail Society

The Chicago Air Mail Society is Chapter Number 2 of the American Air Mail Society. The Chicago Society will hold its first meeting on May 17th, at which time Mr. George W. Angers, presi-dent of the American Air Mail Society will be in attendance, for the purpose of helping the new local branch get a good start. As a special feature the Chicago Society plans to send out a large number of air mail letters and to apply a cachet to them honoring the organization of this new chapter of the A. A. M. S. The new branch at Chicago starts off with over 30 charter members and being affiliated with the leading National Society will no doubt attract most of the Chicago collectors to its meet-

Zeppelin Mediterranean Flight.

This is something that was pulled off so quickly that collectors in America had no chance to get in on it. Soon after the flight to Egypt and the Holy Land the Zeppelin made a special flight to various Mediterranean ports and a special cancellation was used.

Mr. Louis J. Guenzel of New York sends a rough sketch of the cancellation which is a circle with the inscription "LUFTSCHIFF GRAF ZEPPELIN—MITTEL MEERFAHRT 1929" and in the center of the circle is a picture of the dirigible flying over the oriental lands below.

Covers and cards are cancelled "Friedrichshafen — Luftpost—Apr. The backstamp on the cover Mr. Guenzel has, is rather indistinct but he says it looks like "Seville, Spain". And then last night at the movies we saw the Zeppelin flying over Seville, in one of the M. G. M. News Reels.

Teheren—Bagdad

Mr. R. Y. Mottahedeh, sends a cover from the first flight over the new Persian Airmail route from Teheren to Bagdad. This route was opened with the first flight on April 8th. The cover is cancelled at Teheren April 8th and backstamped at Bagdad on April 10th. A special cachet in Persian and French was used to mark the covers, the inscription being "Premier Courrier Aerien Teheren-Bag-Mr. Mottahedeh says that this flight was pulled off with little advance notice and that the num-bers of covers on the flight was rather small.

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-Roessler's Stamp News.

Olympia, Washington

A letter from the Oympia Chamber of Commerce to Miss Anna M. Schafer of Akron, Ohio, states, "Your airport envelopes received and your directions will be followed if and when the Olympia air-port is dedicated, which will be some time this summer." It therefore seems that Olympia will have a cachet and collectors can prepare for this.

Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, to Grand Prairie

Mr. G. W. Linke of Edmonton, advises us that the opening of air mail service from Edmonton to Grand Prairie will take place on May 21st. The return flight will be made on the same or the fol-

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lowing day. A cachet of some sort will be used.

It appears from the information that we have that this is another of the private routes that are operated in Canada. The flights will be made by the Commercial Airways Limited, and the postage rate will be the government postage of 2c for the Government and for the letter postage while to get service on the air planes one will have to attach one of the private airways stamps of the company holding the contract. These stamps sell at 10c each. The special stamps are printed in sheets of ten, two wide by five high make up the sheet. The stamps are printed in black. In both upper corners are words "CANADA", a ribbon band across the top bears the wording "COM-MERCIAL AIRWAYS LTD.," at each side is the inscription in an oval, "VIA AIR", between the ovals and below the ribbon band is a large plane, below which is a map of Northwestern Canada, particularly the territory around Ed-monton, in Alberta Province, at the lower edge of the stamps are the words "NORTHERN" at the left and "ALBERTA" at right.

These stamps therefore are in the nature of the early local postage stamps of the United States and we feel that they add a new fascination to an air mail cover.

Columbus Army Air Manouvers

Thousands of letters have already been received both by the Columbus Chamber of Commerce and by Linn's Weekly Stamp News for the eleven day event from May 15 to May 25th. The publishers of the News have all covers received to date in perfect shape for going out on time and it has been quite interesting to handle the large number of covers that have come to our office.

Collectors as a rule have been very considerate in their manner of supplying the covers and there is no apparent reason why every cover that we handle should not come through as it has been planned by the owner of the cover.

In only one or two instances have we received letters enclosing covers on which we were obliged to pay postage due. In many cases the collectors have sent only two or three covers without explicit instructions as to any particular dates on which they wish the covers posted. In such cases the covers have been laid out for the first day, the last day and for May 21st, Lindbergh Day. On this date an extra stamp reading Lindbergh Day will be applied to the covers.

The Editor of the News called on the Chamber of Commerce Officials in charge of the cachet and handling of these covers and had a look at the cachet which is a

very pleasing one. We also were shown the plans for the eleven days and the colors chosen for the different days. On some days the color scheme will be made of a combination of two colors and on other days just a single color will be used. The Editor asked and requested as a special favor to collectors that the Chamber Officials be very careful and see that only a single color was used on any day. We pointed out to them that we believed that collectors would greatly appreciate the matter if they would refrain from making a lot of freak prints and colors and confine the cachets to the same color and combination of colors for each distinct date. They have assured us that this suggestion would be followed out and we hope that the result will show it.

Municipal Airport Dedication

Already numerous covers have reached the office of the News for the Municipal Airport Dedication at Columbus on July 1st. This date is not definite but is as near as can be planned at this time. The office of the News will be glad to have every collector send covers for this occasion. A very attractive and unusual cachet has been prepared. This will be the first dedication, we believe of an airport built to serve on the great Transcontinental Rail-Plane route of the Pennsylvania Railway from New York to California. The Pennsylvania Trains will stop right alongside the Airport at the Special Combination Rail-Plane Depot that is being built. Passengers will alight from the train, pass through the depot and take their places in the planes for the daylight trip westward.

Covers and cachets from this event should be of more than ordinary interest as they will mark this great event in Transcontinental Transportation.

Send covers ready to go direct to Linn's Weekly Stamp News and be assured that they will receive every care and attention.

Elkhart, Indiana, Special

Mr. Everett G. Emerson of Elkhart, Indiana, who has charge of the special cachet and air mail covers to be mailed from Elkhart on the occasion of the dedication of the Airport and during the days of the Air Circus at Elkhart, advises us of a special envelope that is being prepared for the event.

The cost of this special envelope which is to be with a printed cachet is 5c per envelope. If you want these envelopes you are to remit 5c for each envelope wanted and enclose 5c postage for mailing each envelope. Mr. Emerson will address them as you instruct. The address them as you instruct. special envelopes will also have space at the botton for signature

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In looking over a lot of cards, principally picture, which I sent home while working in Europe in 1912 and 1913, I found an air mail card which may interest those collecting air mails. Whether it is a first day or not I cannot remem-

It is dated 12-6-12 or June 12. 1912, of a light brown shade, with black ink. Has the ordinary 10 pfennig stamp and a special brown stamp of 20 pfennigs value, a dove in the center carrying a letter around which is the inscription translated into English, "FIRST GERMAN AIRMAIL." Underneath printed on the card, the coat of arms of the Duke of Hessen, and the statement "Airmail on the Rhein and Main," (the latter a tributary of the Rhine.)

The reverse bears the statement again translated, "Cancellation of the REICHSPOST: Airmail on Rhein and Main, forwarded by Airmailship SCHWABEN (to explain one of the early Zeppelins). Airmail on the Rhein and Main. Opened on June 10, 1912, for the postcard week of the Duke of Hessen and on the Rhein. Cards stamped with the usual postage and the special 20 pfennig stamp are to be posted in any mail box of the REICHSPOST. It will be then stamped by the REICHSPOST with the cancellation "FLUGPOST AM RHEIN UND MAIN" carried by the Airmailship to landing point then forwarded to any address the state of the s dress in the world."

—Harry Kantorwitz

Toledo, Ohio, Cachets

We got in a front page announcement of the cachet to be used at Toledo on Lindbergh Day, May 21st. The Toledo Aviation Club is sponsoring this.

On June 3, there will be a spe cial cachet for air mail from Toledo, in honor of the first anniversary of the air mail through Toledo. This cachet is sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce and covers ready to go should be sent to the Chamber of Commerce at Toledo.

The South American Flights

Collectors who planned some time ago to have covers on the South American flights and sent

their covers in ahead of time will be pleased with the announcement of these flights that has been released by the Government. It is now too late for you to get on the first flight after the official announcement and unless you planned ahead as we suggested doing some time ago you will be left out.

The Editor attempted to get in at the last minute and took a chance with about \$5.00 worth of postage on seven letters to the cities of South America.

Perhaps the plan that the Editor used would be of interest to other readers. This same plan was used on the flight to Nassau, Bahamas, and made a very attractive cover. A similar cover was also mailed when the first flight went through to Cristobal, this cover was addressed to Columbian Republic and came back safely with air mail marks of the Scadta lines on the cover.

Briefly, I addressed a cover to Mrs. George Ward Linn, my wife, at each of the cities in South America. These covers were all registered, and bore a return request, after 3 days on each enve-Unless some Hot Mamma in the various cities of Ecuador and Peru comes to the postoffice and tries to pass herself off as my wife I certainly ought to get all the covers back for failure to find the addressee for I am going to keep the wife home here in Columbus till these covers get back and I know that she won't be able to pick them up down there so they ought to come home safely.

Besides, registered covers on such routes collect a heap of nice data and cancellations and are well worth the extra 15 cents cost.

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The above is reprinted from "Stamp News", a paper issued by students of Toledo High School Stamp Club.

A. P. S. MINSTRELS

Brother J. Eustace Guest, the wide awake sales manager of the American Philatelic Society uses a matter of about two or three pages of space in each number of the American Philatelist to tell collectors and members about the advantages and plans of the Departvantages and plans of the Department that is so ably handled by himself. We are tempted to inquire of J. Eustace if he is performing in a Minstrel Troupe on the side, for the last several copies of the A. P. that have reached us have Brudder Cuest decorated with have Brudder Guest decorated with a black spot on his forehead that makes him look as though he forgot to remove the makeup before sitting for the picture with which he decorates the heading of his

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The most interesting and instructive part of a postage stamp is the design. Many postage stamps show us reproductions of famous paintings, and many times there are stories connected with

these designs.

For example, there is an American \$1 postage stamp issued in June of 1898, inscribed "Western Cattle in Storm". Now it happened that when the post office department submitted competitions for designs for this series, the picture on this dollar stamp had become the trade mark of a cattle firm in the American West. It was sub-mitted among others, that would illustrate purely United States subjects.

The two-cent stamp of the 1898 series shows farming in the West; the four-center shows Indian hunting Buffalo; the five-center shows Fremont on the Rockies: the eightcent shows troops guarding a pioneer wagon-train and the ten-center the hardships of emigration into the vast west in early days. The 50-cent issue gives us a picture of miners prospecting, and so we have a very fascinating historical gallery of American life of the early

19th century.

But this one dollar stamp of the western cattle in a storm caused an international storm within dip-lomatic circles. It seems that the cattle firm which adopted the picture shown on the \$1 stamp had 'borrowed' its trade mark from among the collection of paintings that were in the home of a British nobleman. A reproduction of the painting had been made by a photograph, and adopted unbeknown to the owner of the paint-

When therefore, the \$1 stamp appeared, a furore arose. England got in touch with the United States Government to file a protest. An investigation was ordered, mean-while the Post Office instructed to inform all local offices to withhold

the stamp in question.

When it was discovered that the picture used on this issue was actually stolen, and the painting as reproduced submitted without an explanation of its origin, the United States officially sent a very

lengthy apology to the British Government, one of the few instances in which a lengthy apology has come from America. But the stamp in question forms one link in the pictorial story of American life in pioneering days and is a very worthy design.

The stamps of the British West Indies are very nice to collect. This group of islands includes: Barbados, Bermuda, Bahamas, Trinidad, Leeward and Windward Islands. It was not so long ago proposed that the United States That failpurchase this group: ing, plans have been advanced for transfer of the British West Indies directly under the supervision of Canada. If this ever happens we may expect new varieties in stamps perhaps.

Pick up most any postage stamp and there is a story connected with it. A 20-centime French stamp inscribed 'Empire Franc' for example, and blue in color, shows the portrait of a bearded man. This Napoleon III, last king of the French, who was dethroned as a result of the Franco Prussian war of 1870-71

TRINIDADS' DISAPPEARING STAMPS

Collectors will be glad to heed the warning that has just been sent by Mr. George S. Chapman of San Juan, Porto Rico. Mr. Chapman writes:

"Look at what Trinidad has sprung on us. Sunday night I put about 100 current Trinidads in a basin of clear cold water to soak, including two 1 sh. stamps and after five minutes only this is what I found."

In the corner of his letter Mr. Chapman pasted a perforated square of paper of the size and shape of a shilling Trinidad, green in color but without trace of a printed design of a postage stamp on it. The stamp had fled entirely and all that was left was the square of perforated green paper.

Mr. Chapman says, "Must be printing them on fugitive paper or else a light chalk surface which disappears when it hits the water. The values below the shilling did not change appearance, only the

shilling. I have none of the higher values.

Now be careful about soaking the new Trinidad stamps. It would seem that if this process of printing stamps is not too expensive that it would forever eliminate the possibility of cleaning and reusing stamps and such a thing has often been sought for by this Govern-ment. Maybe some day we will have to collect our used copies on a piece of paper or take chances in peeling them.

CHARLOTTE, N. C., CLUB

A stamp club has been organized at Charlotte, N. C., with a charter membership of eleven. The new club is known as The Charlotte Philatelic Society. H. W. Blanks is president; J. B. Shatzer, sales-manager and Edward C. Lovell is secretary.

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